REMARKS

In the Office Action dated September 7, 2005, claims 1-21 were presented for examination. Claims 1-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Jang et al.*, "An Effective Mechanism for Index Update in Structured Documents", ACM 1999, pages 383-390, in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2005/0086216 to *Davis*.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the careful and thorough review and action on the merits in this application.

On December 5, 2005, Examiner Huynh and Applicant's Attorney had an Examiner's Interview. The features of Applicant's invention were discussed in detail. Specifically, the elements of Applicant's invention pertaining to generating a reference identifier. Applicant's Attorney pointed out that Applicant's invention pertains to the process of adding an encountered element to an HTML document in the form of a URL, as opposed to the static preprocessing of *Jang et al.* which stores and retrieves identifiers of elements from a table. It was agreed by the parties present that to overcome the prior art of record Applicants would further define the invention in one or more of the independent claims of record by including details of generating a reference identifier.

Claims 1-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(b) as being unpatentable over *Jang et al.*, "An Effective Mechanism for Index Update in Structured Documents", ACM 1999, pages 383-390 in view of U.S. Patent Publication 2005/0086216 to *Davis*.

The remarks pertaining to *Jang et al.* publication in the prior communications are hereby incorporated by reference.

In conjunction with an RCE, Applicant amended the independent claims to limit the database to an object oriented database. The Examiner used the *Davis* publication to teach the object oriented database. However, in the current amendments to the claims, the limitation of the "object oriented database" has been removed. Accordingly, this rejection is moot.

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Applicant has amended independent claims 1, 9, and 15 to further distinguish Applicant's invention from *Jang et al.* The amendments focus on the process and tool for generating the reference identifier. More specifically, the amendments include language which includes adding a relevant attribute to an encountered element within an HTML document, encoding the attribute as a URL, and inserting the URL in the HTML document. *Jang et al.* does not generate an identifier in response to the query in the form of a URL inserted into an HTML document. Furthermore, there is no teaching or suggestion within *Jang et al.* to generate the reference identifier and insert it as a URL into an HTML document. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests removal of the rejection of claims 1-21 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner indicate allowability of claims 1-21, and that the application pass to issue. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of the application, the Examiner is hereby invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

For the reasons outlined above, withdrawal of the rejection of record and an allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

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